2004 SUNFLOWER COUNTY ESTIMATES



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PRODUCTION UP 10 PERCENT

The 2004 Kansas sunflower crop, at 226.4 million pounds, was 10 percent above 2003 production. A 23 percent increase in average yield produced the larger crop. The State average yield of 1,433 pounds per acre was up 268 pounds from 2003. The total acreage planted was 171,000 acres, down 22,000 acres from 2003. Harvested acres, down 10 percent from 2003, totaled 158,000 acres.

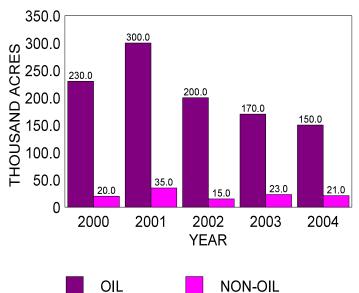
Oil-type sunflowers continue to dominate Kansas sunflower production. In 2004, they accounted for 88 percent of the planted acreage. Planted acreage was 150,000 acres and harvested acreage was 140,000 acres. Yields averaged 1,460 pounds per acre, up 300 pounds from the previous year. The total production of

oil-type sunflowers, at 204.4 million pounds, was up 14 percent from 2003.

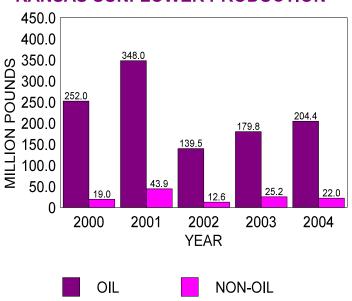
Non-oil, or confectionary, type sunflowers were planted on 21,000 acres and harvested acres totaled 18,000 acres. Non-oil yield, at 1,220 pounds per acre, was 20 pounds higher than the 2003 yield. Production totaled 22.0 million pounds, 13 percent below 2003.

The Northwest District, at 46,000 acres, edged out the Southwest District for the most acreage planted, accounting for 27 percent of all sunflower acreage. The Southwest District planted 45,000 acres in 2004. Sherman County planted the most sunflowers, with 18,600 acres.

KANSAS SUNFLOWERS PLANTED



KANSAS SUNFLOWER PRODUCTION



SUNFLOWERS, 2004

COUNTY		LOWERS, 2004	YIELD	
AND	ACRES	ACRES	PER ACRE,	PRODUCTION,
DISTRICT	PLANTED	HARVESTED	POUNDS	POUNDS
Chavans	- 000		4 04=	7.045.000
Cheyenne	5,900	5,500	1,317	7,245,900
Decatur	3,200	3,200	1,385	4,431,900
Rawlins	5,100	4,000	1,082	4,327,900
Sheridan	3,600	3,300	1,315	4,338,700
Sherman	18,600	17,400	1,072	18,656,600
Thomas	7,400	5,900	1,170	6,901,300
Other Counties	2,200	2,100	1,017	2,136,700
Northwest <u>1</u> /	46,000	41,400	1,160	48,039,000
Logan	4,300	3,900	1,319	5,145,900
Scott	7,100	6,500	1,356	8,813,800
Wallace	3,500	3,200	1,433	4,585,800
Other Counties	8,100	7,200	1,283	9,235,500
West Central 1/	23,000	20,800	1,336	27,781,000
Finney	8,000	7,400	1,688	12,491,900
Grant	7,000	6,600	1,880	12,409,900
Haskell	7,000	6,500	1,641	10,668,200
Stanton	1,300	1,200	1,559	1,870,300
Stevens	12,700	10,800	1,710	18,469,900
Other Counties	9,000	8,300	1,574	13,060,800
Southwest <u>1</u> /	45,000	40,800	1,690	68,971,000
Cloud	5,000	4,800	1,670	8,015,300
Jewell	4,200	4,100	1,554	6,369,900
Mitchell	4,100	4,000	2,048	8,191,000
Ottawa	3,400	3,300	1,390	4,587,800
Republic	2,200	2,000	1,251	2,501,400
Rooks	2,400	2,300	1,193	2,743,600
Smith	3,100	3,000	1,434	4,300,600
Other Counties	3,600	3,600	1,322	4,759,400
North Central	28,000	27,100	1,530	41,469,000
Ellis	3,000	2,800	1,646	4,609,800
Lincoln	2,400	2,200	1,691	3,719,800
Other Counties	6,100	5,900	1,614	9,520,400
Central 1/	11,500	10,900	1,638	17,850,000
Pratt	800	700	1,867	1,306,600
Other Counties	7,700	7,500	1,354	10,151,400
South Central 1/	8,500	8,200	1,397	11,458,000
Brown	1,100	1,100	1,202	1,322,100
Marshall	1,300	1,300	1,454	1,890,000
Other Counties	500	500	1,302	650,900
Northeast 1/	2,900	2,900	1,332	3,863,000
East Central 1/	1,300	1,300	1,179	1,533,000
-	4,800	4,600	1,179	5,396,000
Southeast 1/ State	4,800 171,000	158,000	1,173	226,360,000

^{1/} No estimates were published for some counties due to insufficient or confidential data.

SUNFLOWERS, OIL, 2004

COUNTY AND DISTRICT	ACRES PLANTED	ACRES HARVESTED	YIELD PER ACRE, POUNDS	PRODUCTION, POUNDS
Northwest <u>1</u> /	35,400	32,400	1,126	36,486,000
Other Districts <u>2</u> /	114,600	107,600	1,561	167,914,000
State	150,000	140,000	1,460	204,400,000

SUNFLOWERS, NON-OIL, 2004

COUNTY AND DISTRICT	ACRES PLANTED	ACRES HARVESTED	YIELD PER ACRE, POUNDS	PRODUCTION, POUNDS
Northwest <u>1</u> /	10,600	9,000	1,284	11,553,000
Other Districts <u>2</u> /	10,400	9,000	1,156	10,407,000
State	21,000	18,000	1,220	21,960,000

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2004 SUNFLOWER PRODUCTION BY DISTRICT

